

**Amendments to the Claims:**

The following listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1. (Currently Amended) A method, including:

reserving access for a source device included in a plurality N of source devices to N-1 logical channels accessible by a set of target devices included in the plurality of source devices by creating a static map, wherein N is a positive ~~integer~~integer; and

changing the static map responsive to an indication received from a target device included in the set of target devices.

2. (Original) The method of claim 1, further including: storing at least a portion of the static map in a memory.

3. (Cancelled)

4. (Original) The method of claim 1, further including:

sending a message having an indication of the N-1 logical channels from the source device to at least one of the target devices included in the set of target devices.

5. (Original) The method of claim 1, further including:

designating the identity of the source device within the plurality of source devices using an arbitration scheme.

6. (Original) The method of claim 1, further including:

setting a channel by a target device included in the set of target devices; and clearing the channel by the target device.

7. (Original) The method of claim 1, further including:

requesting allocation of a channel from the source device by a target device included in the set of target devices; and

granting the allocation of the channel to the target device by the source device.

8. (Original) The method of claim 1, further including:

booting the source device after the reserving.

9. (Currently Amended) An article including a machine-accessible medium having associated information, wherein the information, when accessed, results in a machine performing:

reserving access for a source device included in a plurality of N source devices to N-1 logical channels accessible by a set of target devices included in the plurality of source devices by creating a static ~~map~~-map;

determining a need for a channel by a target device included in the set of target devices;  
and

setting the channel by the target device.

10. (Original) The article of claim 9, wherein the machine-accessible medium further includes information, which when accessed by the machine, results in the machine performing:

storing the static map in a memory coupled to the source device.

11. (Cancelled)

12. (Currently Amended) The article of ~~claim 11~~claim 9, further including:

allowing the setting of the channel by the source device.

13. (Currently Amended) The article of ~~claim 11~~claim 9, further including:

disallowing the setting of the channel by the source device.

14. (Currently Amended) An apparatus, including:

a source device included in a plurality N of source devices having access to N-1 logical channels accessible by a set of target devices included in the plurality of source devices according to a static ~~map~~-map; and

wherein the static map may be altered dynamically by a target device included in the set of target devices.

15. (Canceled)

16. (Original) The apparatus of claim 14, wherein the static map further includes:

a channel map to map a subset of the N-1 logical channels to a set of channels accessible to a target device included in the set of target devices.

17. (Original) The apparatus of claim 14, further including:

a ~~memory~~ to store the static map.

18. (Original) The apparatus of claim 14, wherein the source device is selected from one of a personal digital assistant, a desktop computer, a laptop computer, a cellular telephone, a device capable of communicating over a wireless local area network (WLAN), a software module, a hardware module, an applications subsystem, and a communications subsystem.

19. (Currently Amended) A system, including:

a plurality N of source devices having access to N-1 logical channels accessible by a set of target devices included in the plurality of source devices according to a static map; and  
an omnidirectional antenna coupled to at least one of the plurality of source

~~devices~~devices;

wherein the static map further includes a channel map to map a first subset of the N-1 logical channels to a set of channels accessible to a first target device included in the set of target devices.

20. (Cancelled)
21. (Currently Amended) The system of ~~claim 20~~claim 19, wherein the channel map is to map a second subset of the N-1 logical channels not including the first subset of logical channels to a set of channels accessible to a second target device included in the set of target devices.
22. (Original) The system of claim 19, further including:
  - a transceiver included in at least one of the target devices; and
  - an energy conduit to couple at least one of the source devices to at least one of the target devices.
23. (Original) The system of claim 22, wherein the energy conduit comprises a multi-drop link.
24. (Original) The system of claim 19, wherein the plurality of source devices N are included in a single physical device.
25. (Original) An apparatus, including:
  - a source device included in a plurality N of source devices having access to N-1 logical channels accessible by a set of target devices included in the plurality of source devices according to a static map, wherein the static map further includes a channel map to map a subset of the N-1 logical channels to a set of channels accessible to a target device included in the set of target devices; and
  - a memory to store the static map, wherein the source device is selected from one of an applications subsystem and a communications subsystem.
26. (Original) The apparatus of claim 25, further including:

a multi-drop link to couple the plurality N of source devices to the set of target devices.

27. (Original) The apparatus of claim 26, wherein the plurality N of source devices are included in a single physical device.